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## TO DAY'S CABLES.

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### RUSSIAN ARMISTICE.

MERELY A TEMPORARY CONTRIVANCE.

WINTER FIGHTING AVOIDED.

RIGA, October 12.

After three weeks of verbal sparring the armistice and preliminary peace between Russia and Poland was signed this evening in the medieval Hall of "Black Heads." Public opinion here regards the agreement merely as a contrivance to avoid winter fighting, not as a permanent peace.

PEASANT REVOLTS.

LONDON, October 12.

The Times correspondent at Warsaw states that reports of anti-Bolshevist risings in Russia are multiplying. From an exceptionally trustworthy source it is heard that the peasants in the Saratoff district have revolted largely and that Communist forces up to the present have failed to suppress them. Another peasant rising took place in the Smolensk district, while Chinese troops stamped out a revolt at Kronstadt with great bloodshed. It is stated that the Social Revolutionaries Petrovsky, Spiridova, Martoff, and Tchernoff assembled at Nijni-Novgorod have denounced the Soviet and demanded the summoning of a Constituent assembly.

A POLISH D'ANNUNZIO.

LONDON, October 12.

It appears that General Zeligowski who captured Vilna is acting the part of Polish D'Annunzio. A Warsaw message states that he has sent a wireless message to the Polish Government announcing the formation of an administrative council to exercise civil power in Central Lithuania and requesting the Government's recognition of the Council.

GOVERNMENT DISAPPROVES.

LONDON, October 12.

General Zeligowski's coup de main has aroused popular enthusiasm in Poland where the allocation of Vilna to Lithuania was declared to violate the principle of self-determination. The Polish Government, which was recently warned by Britain and France that an advance on Vilna would create serious political difficulties, is stated to have expressed strong disapproval of the coup de main. The hope is semi-officially expressed in London that the Polish Government will take steps to compel the withdrawal of General Zeligowski's forces. The Echo de Paris states Britain and France have decided to leave the dispute to the League of Nations, but are sending a joint note to Poland counselling moderation.

THE LEAGUE INTERVENES.

PARIS, October 12.

M. Leon Bourgeois, President of the Council of the League of Nations, has telegraphed to the League's military mission in Lithuania asking for information with regard to events at Vilna with a view to action to terminate General Zeligowski's occupation of Central Lithuania. The mission has replied that the Polish Government has disavowed Zeligowski and has expressed readiness to take measures to end the incident.

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

PREMIERS DISCUSS HOW AMOUNT SHOULD BE FIXED.

A JOINT REPORT SUGGESTED.

LONDON, October 12.

Conversations opened in London yesterday between Mr. Lloyd George and the Belgian Premier, M. Delacroix. It is understood, on the subject of German reparations in connection with which Britain and France are discussing the method of honouring the Spa decisions. It was stated that Britain proposes that the amount of reparations should be determined by a body of experts specially appointed by the governments concerned, including Germany, while France urges that a determining body should be chosen from the Reparations Commission. According to the well informed French Press M. Delacroix has now suggested that both the Reparations Commission and the Ministers of Finance should meet at Brussels shortly to issue a joint report with regard to the indemnity.

IRISH AMBUSH

ONE SOLDIER KILLED AND SIX WOUNDED.

LONDON, October 12.

An official report of the Kanturk ambush says that the assailants who numbered 150 used machine guns, shot guns, bombs. They killed one soldier and wounded six.

STRIKE IN SAXONY.

SEVERAL BIG CITIES IN DIRE STRAITS.

BERLIN, October 12.

A big strike movement in Saxony is seriously preoccupying the Government. It is estimated that 600,000 municipal employees have ceased work demanding higher wages. Leipzig, Dresden, and Chemnitz are without gas, water, electricity or trams.

PRINCE'S RETURN.

KING'S THANKS TO DOMINIONS AND COLONIES.

BONDS OF EMPIRE CEMENTED.

LONDON, October 12.

The King has sent a message to the Governors General of Australia and New Zealand, and the Governors of the British West Indian Possessions, thanking them for the universal affection and loyal enthusiasm shown to the Prince of Wales, adding: "This and the previous tour have given him special opportunities to gain a knowledge of our overseas Dominions and Colonies and to become personally acquainted with their peoples. May such mutual intercourse create fresh ties of confidence and devotion between the Throne and the generations of the present and the future of these great lands and thus promote the unity, strength, and prosperity of the Empire."

## THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 4/0  
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### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### LARGEST DIAMOND.

New York, October 11th.  
What is stated to be the largest diamond ever imported into the United States arrived aboard the Aquitania in possession of Mr. Fred Whitman, manager of the Madrid branch of the Mercantile Bank of America, for disposal on account of Abdel Hamid, ex-Sultan of Morocco (†). The diamond is of a light straw colour, and is a perfect stone weighing 183 carats.

### SUGAR SPECULATION.

HAVANA, October 10th.  
There has been a run on several banks here. The International Bank of Cuba has suspended payment. The Havana Exchange has also suspended operations during the crisis which is attributed to heavy loads of sugar when it was at a high-water price.

### SWEDISH GOVERNMENT.

STOCKHOLM, October 10th.  
The Swedish Liberal party has rejected the Socialists' proposal to enter a Coalition Government with them.

### PREMIER'S REPLY.

LONDON, October 11th.  
Mr. Lloyd George has now issued a very brief reply to Mr. Asquith's statement. The Premier declines to take notice of Mr. Asquith's statement, adding: "There is my speech for all to read who care to. I merely say I notice to mention by Mr. Asquith of 'the hellish policy' of murder."

### CHINESE CONSORTIUM MEETING.

WASHINGTON, October 10th.  
At the meeting of the Chinese Consortium, Mr. T. W. Lamont will represent the United States. Sir Charles Addis Great Britain, the resident member of the French High Commission France and there will be two special representatives from Japan.

### AMERICA'S SHIPPING.

ANOTHER CHANCE LOST.

COAL EXPORT TRADE MISSED.

The coal shortage in England, which has been brought to general notice in America by a single contract placed with American mine-owners to supply 35,000,000 tons to Europe during the next five years, calls attention also to the great opportunity offered for the upbuilding of the American merchant marine, of which shipowners cannot avail themselves. Shipping men declare that practically the entire export coal trade of the world is now America's for the taking. Owing to the serious railway truck shortage, however, considerable difficulty is being experienced in getting coal distributed from the mines to industrial centres and to the large cities for household consumption. Until well into next year the great bulk of the coal to be mined here will be taken before it reaches the seaboard. Many ships of America's new merchant marine are lying idle or departing with light cargoes, and it is fully realised that America's ability to meet the fuel requirements of other countries at this time would give her ships a chance to make permanent connections abroad. In existing circumstances, however, such a thing is entirely out of the question, and another golden opportunity must be permitted to slip away.

### BIG COAL PURCHASE.

Cables from New York state that representatives of several large English, Scotch and Welsh mining companies are buying American coal, which will go to fulfil British contracts with France and Italy. A hurry has been created in the business world by an announcement by Mr. J. H. Gardner, managing director of the Colliery Investments Trust, Ltd., of Swansea, that he has just bought 35,000,000 tons.

The United States mines guarantee delivery over a period of five years. Mr. Gardner refused to name the price paid, but indicated that he is more than satisfied with the deal. Deliveries will begin within 30 days, continuing every 30 days, at the rate of 500,000 tons a month. Mr. Gardner's contracts cover the entire output of several steam and gas coal mines.

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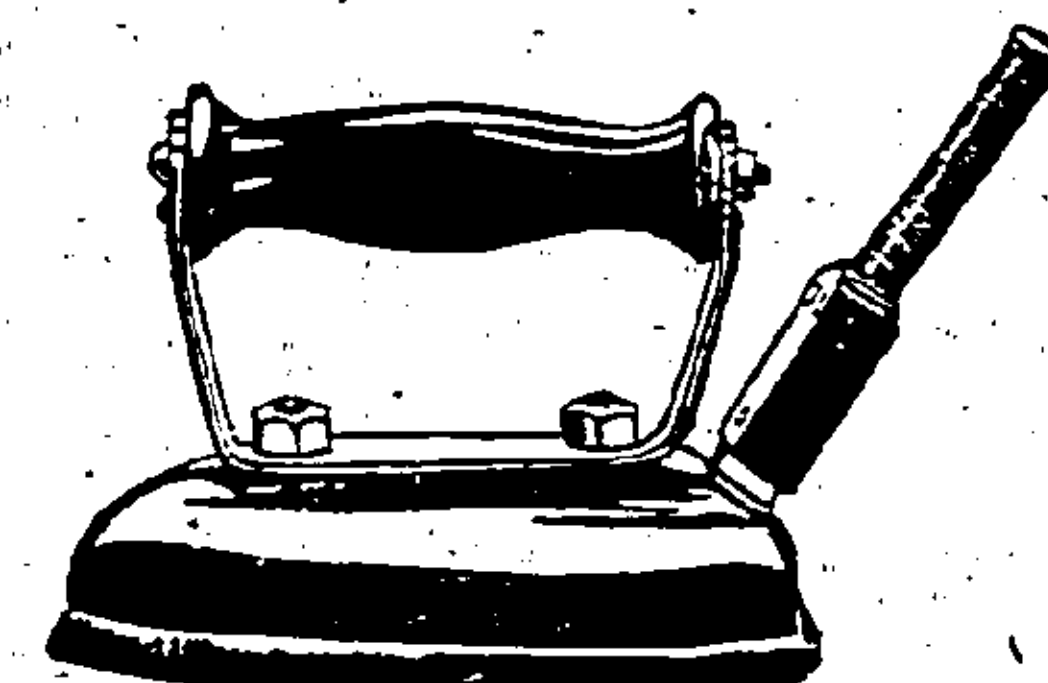
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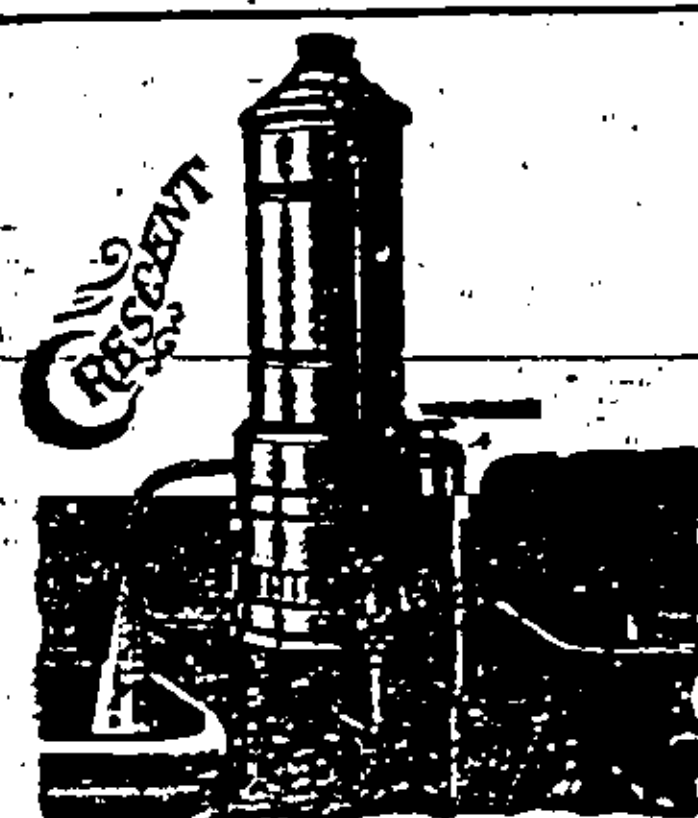
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## KOREA OF TO-DAY.

## JAPAN'S PROBLEM.

## DRAMA OF INEVITABLE DESTINY.

Mr. J. O. P. Bland writes in *The Times*:—

Preeminently amongst the cities of the ancient East Seoul is a sermon in stores. I know of none which teaches more forcibly the old, old lesson of the sins of the fathers, or which suggests such inevitable reflections concerning the mysterious forces that form the character and mould the destinies of nations. The Imperial City at Peking tells its own impressive tale, but China is still mistress in her own house, though her present political state be rotten.

There is something in this sadness and silence of this white-robed race of passive thinkers, something in the stolid dignity of their monuments and men, which compels our instinctive sympathy and respect; and yet when all is said and done, the problem of self-determination for Korea remains, humbly speaking, as far removed from solution as the federation of the world and the brotherhood of man.

Chaperoned by the courteous secretary of the South Manchurian Railway, I saw the sights of modern Seoul and compared it in my mind with the city as I knew it long ago, before Japan had forced China to abandon her suzerainty over the Hermit Kingdom, and again later, before the Russo-Japanese war, when the Korean King assumed the title of Emperor. I remembered, too, that when Japan fought, first China and then Russia, for supremacy in the Peninsula, the attitude of the dogged conscientious objectors was ever that of unconcerned spectators. Remembering these things, one understands something of the nature of the tragedy of Korea, the pitiful destiny of a people too proud to fight, whose home is the strategic keyland of North-Eastern Asia, and a predestined bone of contention between the Powers that struggle for the mastery of the Pacific. As I stood in the old Place, unattended now and open to the winds of heaven, yet splendid in decay, and called to mind the history of this people since those far-off days when Korea aspired to lead the East in art and learning; as I looked out upon the triumphs of incongruous modernity with which Japan has decked the hill-girt city (her banks and barracks, her hospitals and huge hotels), dominating like alien giants, the clustering hovels of the native born, it seemed to me that this empty Audience-Hall fittingly typified the last scene in a drama of inevitable destiny.

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and we passed from the bitterly night, into a long narrow room, furnished at one end with charcoal braziers and chairs for the audience, and at the other, fitted for the dance with soft clean matting and sliding panels *a la Japonaise*. The honours were done by the Japanese manager or *impresario* of the geisha administration; except the performers and two attendants, no Koreans were present. There were six dancers, girls still in their teens, said to be the fine flower of Seoul geishadom. They wore the elaborate headgear, the quaintly stiff but comely costumes of old Korea. Their conventionally painted faces, like those of all Oriental dancers, were as masks, cast in the same mould of sphinx-like inscrutability, but as women they lacked the little airs and graces, the butterfly daintiness and spontaneous gaiety of the Japanese singing girl. As entertainers they were distinctly heavy. Not theirs the bird-like chatter and light-hearted laughter with which the geisha of Tokyo entertain their guests. Our friend the secretary ascribed the solemnity of the proceedings to the reticent stolidity which is natural to the Koreans, but to me it seemed these daughters of the Land of the Morning Calm were not so much on their dignity as on the defensive, and that behind these inscrutable masks there lurked the soul of a race whose patriotism drinks deep at the well of memories and dreams. It will take some time and tact, methinks, to assimilate a people whose dancing girls decline to smile for the invader.

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at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,  
Des Voeux Road, Corner of  
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Miscellaneous Goods,  
including:—

Telegraph Instrument Knitting  
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Hongkong, October 11, 1920.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,  
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE GOVERNMENT),

TUESDAY,

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p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,  
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WHITE GOODS, &c., &c.,

Comprising:—

Pillow Cases, Quilts, Turkish Towels,  
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Bed Sheets, Drawnwork Bedspreads,  
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and is covered by Premises known as  
2 and 4, Wilton Street, two Storied  
Chinese Godowns built of brick with  
tile roofs, held for the residue of a term  
of 999 years created therein by a Crown  
Lease dated the 24th day of September  
1856 and made between Her late Majesty  
Queen Victoria of the one part and  
Adam Scott of the other part.

Area:—3960 square feet or thereabouts.  
Crown Rent:—£2 15 0.

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Hongkong, October 9, 1920.

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A Private collection of about 250  
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Owner leaving the Colony  
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ON

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within the Chamber, at Naval Depot,  
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H.M. TUG "ST. SAMPSON,"

Length between perpendiculars 135 ft. 0 in.

Breadth, extreme 30 ft. 9 in.

Depth (under side of 6 in. 16 ft. 7 in.)

Bar keel to upper deck

Tonnage according to 1864

British Rules, Gross—451 ft. 0 in. Tons.

Nominal Displacement—850 Tons.

At mean draft—13 ft. 10 in.

Present mean draft—10 ft. 9 in.

Where—Hongkong

When—September, 1919

Built—Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.

By whom—

Materials of Construction:—

Wood—Fittings in Cabins, etc.

Iron—General Fittings on Deck, etc.

Steel—Hull, Bulkheads, etc.

Decks—Forecastle, Upper and Lower.

1900 fitted with internal electric lighting at 100 Volts.

Built under Lloyd's survey. 100 A.I. for towing purposes.

Port of Registry, Hongkong.

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Built 1916. Had very little usage.

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Length, water line 29' 9" over all 35ft.

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## BIRTH.

CASTRO.—At No. 3, Seymour Terrace, Hongkong, on October 14, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Castro, a son.

## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCT. 14, 1920.

## EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

Our inclination, in view of our effort to keep the China Mail so varied as to be always fresh and interesting, is to apologise to those of our readers who may think our references to local education are too frequent and too often of a "muchness." But the subject is of such paramount importance, and means so much to the present and future of our colony, that it is not convenient to drop it for no worthier reason than the journalistic tendency toward novelty.

We had thought of calling attention to the absence, or the apparent absence, from the programme of the Kowloon Ratepayers' Association as last outlined, of any proposals for the improvement of education for the British children amongst us. It was noticeable enough; but happening to meet Mr. Frost, the Chairman, and calling his attention to it, he confided to us the news that the K.R.A. was far from ignoring this matter, and that conversations were even then proceeding with the educational authority. This silenced us for the time, but we are still convinced that there is a need to "ginger up" that authority, and some thoughts have come our way that seem to us likely to help, and are therefore here set down.

We notice that building operations are going on, and seemingly nearing completion, on the site of the old St. Joseph's College. Does this mean that presently the German Club is to be vacated? It is about five years ago that this building was mentioned as offering a satisfactory and convenient position for a combined British school. The present arrangement is hopelessly unsatisfactory, and discreditable to the government. We have two schools, one at Causeway Bay and one at Kowloon, and in these the classes are so small that they have to be combined. A central school on a central site is essential, and the old German Club, or its site, has the semblance of a satisfactory

solution of this particular problem. May we suggest it, with a little more hope than usually falls to those who have to sow upon stony ground? We are not anxious to run the Colony, but only to see it run—instead of lagging, as now. If they will stop lagging, we will gladly shut up; or at any rate, devote our daily verbosity to more amusing and less momentous topics. Won't that be jolly?

Perhaps, for some reason outside our limited knowledge (for unlike the others, we don't know everything) the German Club may not be available. If they tell us that, we shall become silly and cantankerous, and demand the "finest site" for this purpose. After all, would that be so very silly? Useless, no doubt, since there are other cantankerous and obstinate folk here; but not silly. Surely an up-to-date school for the children of British and Allied residents would be as truly a "simple and dignified" memorial as any elaborate pile of chiselled stone, which can teach nothing, foster nothing, help nobody, but only play the part of the Pyramids, those monuments of human conceit and cruelty. Whereas our school could on its facade bear an inscription like this:

IN THE YEAR  
1921  
THIS SCHOOL WAS ERECTED,  
WHEN IT WAS MUCH NEEDED,  
TO  
COMMEMORATE THE GREAT WAR,  
AND TO HELP  
THOSE CHILDREN  
WHOM WE DESIRE TO REMEMBER  
ITS LESSONS.

After you have duly admired that, we beg you to join us in considering the important matter of staffing the school. We put 1921 in our mural inscription, because our temperament is impetuous; but we know, when we stop to think, that the building couldn't be ready for long after that. Long as that might be, it would, at current rates, be longer, before we could have suitable teachers, out from Home, especially if we bear in mind the doings of the last two years. We should want a headmaster, three male assistants, and half a dozen female assistants, all specially trained for the various requirements of a British school. We should want the very best for our school, and would tolerate no local learners. The dearest thing in education is a cheap teacher. We cannot afford to train teachers here at the expense of our own British children. That is an economy which is being practised just now, for which the government will be damned, and its educational department especially accused.

Moreover, when we get him keyed up to securing that teaching staff, we shall still require him to look ahead. He must allow for some of the women teachers being tempted into matrimony. He must allow for the covering of the duties of those going on leave. He must engage more in about two years. Later arrivals will always be bringing new and up-to-date ideas to bear on local education. We shall expect the Director to ask for them, and listen to them, and ponder them. Perhaps our most immediate need is an educational expert to re-arrange and re-organize the department, which at present seems to suppose that any old building, and any sort of half-trained staff, will do for British children. We have heard it said that in the K.B. school, on dark winter afternoons, classes have to be dismissed, or alternatively to be left sitting idly, because there is no artificial light in the building. Is that true? If true, what excuse can our government offer? As regards school equipment, we hear they are nearly all decades behind the times.

It is language not suitable for the China Mail, or we would here set it forth; but we do urge the Director of Education, and any other government man responsible, and in fact all readers interested, to refer to the bible, and to turn to the second verse of the twenty-second chapter of Ezekiel, if they would know how seriously we regard this question, and the present state of things.

## THAT — TELEPHONE.

Although we heartily agree with the Morning Post that our so-called "public" telephones are a farce, too few, and those locked up at night, we believe the excuse given that it is at present impossible to get new instruments, so that whether the local Company can be ginkered up or not, it can do nothing. There is a long waiting list of private subscribers for new instruments, so that in any case the Company will be tempted to serve them first, as being more remunerative.

Thereby hangs a tale of our own, for which we crave indulgence. We have two instruments at the Mail office, both in full use, but the writer of these editorial notes is still, and has been for a long time, on that waiting list for a desk phone. People ring up and ask for him by name (Hongkong is a small place), and it is difficult to preserve anonymity) and he has to go out of the scriptorium, through the bindery, along a corridor, down some steps, and into the reporters' room, every time this happens.

When it happens in the midst of the composition of an article, which requires any thinking, it is obvious that China Mail readers must be injured by such interruptions.

When we add that the instrument in the reporters' room is a defective one, and that this person's ears are also defective, you will understand the object of these, and the ensuing remarks.

Don't send private phone messages for him personally at all. Send a chit.

Don't ask for him by name if your business can be done by anyone else in the office. He knows nothing, for instance, about the advertising department, or the printing department, or the circulation department, and doesn't want to.

He doesn't know what won the Derby in 1879, nor the dimensions of the Lipton Cup, nor what the weather is going to be like next Saturday, so don't phone and ask for him. The others answer all such questions.

If you ring up the Editor, and fail to get him, do not ask for this other individual by name. By so doing you imperil his immortal soul, for his language as he goes from his own work to the phone, to speak to people he doesn't want to speak to, and cannot hear when he does, is so fluent that the Recording Angel has had to learn shorthand.

By and by, when he gets a phone at his elbow, we will let you know; but at present—please do not ask for him.

You may interrupt and for ever rupture some ennobling chain of thought, spoil a masterpiece of literature, and even cause an apoplexy. For he is old and choleric, with a disease that does not improve the temper. If you must get into communication with him personally, use your chit book. He writes, when he has time, the most charmingly courteous replies. With his pen in hand, he is a successful imitation of a gentleman. At the telephone he is a raging beast.

## CLUB AFFAIRS.

There are clubs in this Colony that are run in an amazingly informal and schoolboyish way. They have rules that they ignore, and the members grumble every

day, except the day of the annual meeting, when they usually elect the committee and give it a vote of thanks. We are not thinking of any one club in particular, but of several. Also, tales of irregularities and improprieties are circulated which prove to be baseless when investigated. Isn't it time you learned to be more business-like? Even the rules will not bear examination in some cases, so badly drafted are they. We know of one club that carries on, quite cheerfully and successfully, with a committee that isn't legally elected, because it has an extraordinary rule which says "every resolution passed at the annual general meeting . . . must be confirmed by a majority of two thirds of the votes at a meeting to be held two weeks later, and during that time the resolutions shall be posted in the pavilion." They never meant it so, but that means that the resolutions by which the officials are elected are not valid until they have been passed twice, at two separate meetings, which is absurd. In almost all of them the committees arrogate discretionary powers that are explicitly barred by their own rules. When a rule says certain things "shall" be done, they have no discretion; when it says "may," they are entitled to act as they think best. Discretion is in some cases conferred upon them as regards matters not covered by the rules, but they claim it in matters that are so covered. Now that the season of annual meetings is coming on, we recommend a study of club rules, and more strict and business-like adherence. What is worth doing is worth doing right.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Queen's College annual aquatic sports take place this afternoon at the V. R. C. Lady Stubbs will present the prizes at 5.30.

Mr. A. H. Ferguson, manager of the Chartered Bank in Peking, according to a northern paper is being transferred to Hongkong.

A Chinese, aged about 40 years, was yesterday removed to the Tung Wah Hospital suffering from injuries caused through being knocked down by motor cycle No. 130. His condition is not serious.

The master of a boat building shed at Aberdeen reports to the police that at 10.30 a.m., yesterday, while a *foi* was walking on the water front, he accidentally fell into the harbour, and before aid was forthcoming, disappeared. The body has not yet been recovered.

We have received from the Ministry of Communications, Peking, a copy of the ninth issue of the Postal Guide published at the Supply Department of the Directorate of General Posts for the use of the Postal Service and the information of the public. The price is fifty cents.

In order to avoid congestion in Causeway Road, Peel Street, Mosque Street, Robinson Road and Albany Road, through which the Catholic procession, to be held in honour of St. Margaret Mary, will pass, motor car owners are requested to keep away from the above mentioned places on Sunday while the procession is in progress.

The Chinese girl who was on Wednesday rammed by Magistrate Dyer Ball on a charge of attempting to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour after a quarrel with her husband, was again in Court this morning. Addressing the girl's husband, the Magistrate said that but for the prompt action of Mr. Charles Young in rescuing her, the defendant would have been dead now. Both he and his wife owed gratitude to Mr. Young. The husband said that he realized that, and was very grateful. The Magistrate bound the girl over in the sum of \$50, to be of good behaviour for six months.

## STATUS OF SUEZ CANAL.

## NEUTRALITY SOUGHT.

## QUESTIONS IN FRENCH PARLIAMENT.

The Paris correspondent of a contemporary says:—Special attention has been drawn during the past day or two to the movements of Suez Canal shares. It is understood that when the French Parliament re-assembles several questions will be put to Mr. Millerand as to the status of the Suez Canal under the independence of Egypt proposals. It is asserted that steps should be taken by the French Government to ensure the absolute neutrality of the canal in case of war, it being pointed out that France has important possessions in the Far East, as well as Holland.

Zaglou Pasha is said to have expressed the opinion that some clause should be inserted in the Anglo-Egyptian arrangement whereby it should be agreed that the real neutrality of the canal should be secured by an international military guard.

## SPECIAL CABLE.

## STRAINED STRAMER.

## SOLD BY AUCTION.

INDIAN MERCHANT PAYS \$45,000.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, Oct. 13.  
The "Altenburg" which is stranded at Falloeden Shoal was sold by auction to-day, an Indian merchant paying \$45,000.

## H.M.S. "ROBIN."

## BRITISH CONSUL ACTIVE.

## VISIT TO WOOCHOW.

In connection with the recent attack on H.M.S. "Robin" while cruising up the West River we learn from a correspondent at Samshui that the British Consul arrived in that city from Canton in order to investigate the matter, and proceeds either to-day or to-morrow to Wooschow in order to demand proper satisfaction from the authorities there.

H.M.S. "Robin" left Samshui for Canton yesterday, when H.M.S. "Cicala" arrived at Samshui from Wooschow. The "Robin" still bears marks of the attack a little above the water line and is bespattered with rifle and machine gun shot marks.

River trade up to Wooschow re-opens to-night with the departure from Samshui of the "Tai-ming," which will be followed by the "Kochow" on Saturday. Quiet prevails from Samshui to the mouth of the river.

A thousand Kwangtung troops arrived at Samshui yesterday afternoon and will proceed up the river.

## MORPHIA SEIZED.

## DETECTIVE'S SMART CAPTURE.

A \$2,000 FINE.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Magistrate Dyer Ball with the unlawful possession of 1 lb. of morphia, or 1,400 official doses, valued at \$2,000.

Inspector Moore, who prosecuted, said that the defendant was seen by a Chinese detective in Fanning Street, yesterday, carrying a parcel. When the defendant saw the detective approaching he took to his heels and ran through Queen's Street to the Praya where he attempted to throw the parcel into the harbour. The parcel, however, fell from his hand on to the ground, and before he could pick it up, he was seized by the detective who had given chase. When the parcel was opened, it was found to contain the morphia. The defendant struggled violently to escape but with the aid of an Indian constable the detective took him to the station struggling all the way.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$2,000 or three months, and ordered the confiscation of the drug.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CANTON UNITED SERVICE ASSOCIATION.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Sir,—A meeting of members of this Association which was held on the Shamen on Tuesday, 12th inst., to discuss ways and means of celebrating Armistice Day, had the appearance of being a prearranged affair.

A dance for the ladies of the Shamen was evidently determined on, by a few. The member who remarked that quite a number of members did not dance, and also quite a number who did, would not know any of the ladies present, was very much to the point. Most of us know how strangers fare at these affairs, and the Shamen has quite a reputation for snobbishness. He suggested a dinner, which after all would be the correct thing. The whole idea of the association is to bring the men and officers together to meet in a friendly spirit. "Our friends and allies, French, American, Belgians, and Japanese, all to meet, and at least for the occasion out of the I AM IT stuff. Have a dinner with the men and officers were proud to rub shoulders with, either in the Navy or Army, and forget all about the mighty ideas that seem to have got into the heads of some men that we were proud enough to fight with, and to know, both in the North Sea, and the trenches. These ought not to be looked down on just because luck has given some of us better positions.

After all it's the men and officers we want to meet and not a Hun-party. Yours, etc.,

## ONE OF THEM.

## ON LEARNING TO DRIVE A CAR.

## NIGHTMARES AND RICHES.

[CONTRIBUTED.]

I suppose that there are a few moments in one's life which are never forgotten, even if one lives to be very old. It must be more than twenty-five years ago that I experienced that thrilling emotion, for the first time, which Joseph Conrad describes so splendidly in "Almayer's Folly." The hero of the story found the lips of the heroine pressed to his own. Conrad can and does tell you the rest with all his wonderful descriptive powers. It was the first time that the hero had experienced that sort of thing and, so was the way with Adam and is still the way with the rest of mankind, it seemed to him something desirable. It is also a thing to be remembered, that first kiss outside the family.

There are other emotions less happy. The discovery that a friend is false is one of the worst. The first time that is experienced is unforgettable; so we grow more experienced as we grow more reluctant to make friends, even less disappointed when we lose them.

Recently I have been experiencing a new emotion and a motor-car has provided it. I shall never forget the night after I had my first drive in the car when I acted as chauffeur. For all through my dreams I was driving, driving—the road out to Repulse Bay was endless. The car behaved well but the hills became steeper and steeper and the roads grew narrower and still more narrow. Long before I fell asleep I was in reality dreaming of that road to Repulse Bay, and for hours I travelled; it was curious but I felt myself travelling along, although I knew that I was awake and lay quietly in my bed.

What puzzles me about the business is that I have often travelled four or five times as far as to Repulse Bay and back again, without a stop, in England. That did not lose me any sleep. But I was always in those days a passenger. It was having the steering wheel in my hand, and one foot on the clutch while the other roamed restlessly between the foot-brake and the accelerator, that has made all the difference. But perhaps I had better tell the story from the very beginning.

## THE GREAT CONSERVATIVES.

Unlike most boys of this generation I had no hankering after a motor-bicycle. I have trundled along some hundreds of miles on push-bikes; I have even ridden the machines that had solid tyres. But in my boyhood days the petrol engine was unknown and a man with a red flag walked in front of any mechanically propelled vehicle. Of such was the influence of the House of Lords in the nineteenth century. That august assembly insisted that the horses of their carriages should not be frightened by machinery. The Dukes and the Barons nearly triumphed over the mechanical genius of the British race; they lost Great Britain the premier place in the early days of motor car development. And they almost broke the hearts of the pioneers who at last got the red flag act repealed.

And then there was the great race from London to Brighton. I forget the exact details but I believe that a young man named Harnsworth directed attention to motor vehicles in those days in the enterprising manner that he has since shown with regards to aeroplanes. In any case the run to Brighton proved how difficult was the motor proposition, rather more than twenty years ago.

Afterwards the Ford car came to London. By an accident it so happened that I rode my first joyride in that first Ford car almost its first run. And ever since that day I have wanted to learn to drive a motor-car.

At last a friend in far-away Hongkong consented, for a consideration, to teach me. And at long last I find myself in possession of a motor-car driver's licence. I am already proud of the little document posted inside two black card-board covers. As the number is approaching four hundred I imagine that before the year is out the Captain Superintendent of Police will have issued about four hundred of these licences. I have a feeling that there should be only a limited number. These things, like various orders awarded by the King, are only of value so long as the number is limited. And, moreover, I feel that I have earned that certificate of merit. I have earned that certificate of merit. I have earned that certificate of merit. I have earned that certificate of merit.

My friend, who wished to sell me his car, said in a jaunty fashion "Oh! you'll soon pick it up." On reflection I am inclined to ask him if he was being facetious. Did he mean that I should soon pick up the pieces of a shattered car?

He took me, a thoughtful but eager onlooker, for a drive while he mowed levers, with one hand, turned the steering wheel with the other and all the time talked a jargon of "clutches," "differentials" and "accelerators." Now it seemed to me that things happened when both hands were on the wheel and then I discovered that he was always using his

feet. I don't know any other game equal to this motor driving business for employing simultaneously and so often both hands and feet. There are times, particularly when Chinese coolies or children cross the road, when it is also necessary to use the brain—and use it quickly. And at times the tongue is also used. This is the human mechanism nearly as active as that of the car.

## THE IMMORTAL HARRY TATE.

Finally, after about an hour's lecture which included many technical terms (made somewhat familiar to me by Harry Tate) I was invited to take the wheel. And then I really did have some excitement.

I can only pay a tribute to the richa coolie. Although my first proper drive was to Repulse Bay my initiation as a chauffeur commenced on the broad highways of Kowloon. Within half an hour of my first effort at the wheel every richa coolie in Kowloon knew me and the car. They were suddenly galvanised into a state of activity by the sight of that motor-car. They might be at the far end of a road and apparently asleep by their precious richas. But when, in my zig-zag career, I approached them, they had disappeared. They pushed their richas into front gardens—I think that they must have pushed some into the front doors of houses—for refuge. But they made me feel very much of an amateur. And all the time my instructor sat at my side, saving me from disaster time after time. He had a pleasant little way of switching off the engine and applying the hand-brake that neutralised all my efforts to use the accelerator pedal in place of the foot-brake.

I cannot catalogue the mistakes that I made but I console myself with the knowledge that some great men—he must have tried to drive a car—said "To err is human." It is difficult enough to walk straight in the narrow path of virtue in the Far East; it is almost impossible for the amateur to drive straight in a motor-car, even along the broad roads named after Nathan and other wise men of the Colony. I am convinced that it is not an easy business for the average man this chauffeur test—whatever the sellers of cars may tell you.

Then my friend, probably all impatient to have the job finished, advised me to apply for a licence. But I, of a somewhat cautious outlook because of the richa coolies—I could not resist throwing them some ten car pieces when they finally did cautiously reappear out of compliance to my progress—made enquiries from the very obliging Central Police Station. And Central advised a learner's licence for which I subsequently paid a dollar.

## A HAPPY ENDING.

I pass over an interval and come to the crisis. I wanted to have done with the "learn pidgeon" status and I boldly asked for a full licence. Now in England, I believe, anyone who asks the police for a licence may get one for five shillings, a blind man—so I am told—may get one. But in Hongkong they are less trustful. You are tested—like beaten gold you are put through the fire. And you pay in silver or notes.

## FOR YOUR LICENCE—FIVE DOLLARS.

Let me hurriedly added that the police are extraordinarily patient and polite in this business. But they take the job seriously—or at least my examiner did so. He made me run up hill and down hill; he made me reverse and turn round in the road. And, as he left me elated at the news that I had "passed out," he gave me a final word—it was a word of caution. I felt properly subdued.

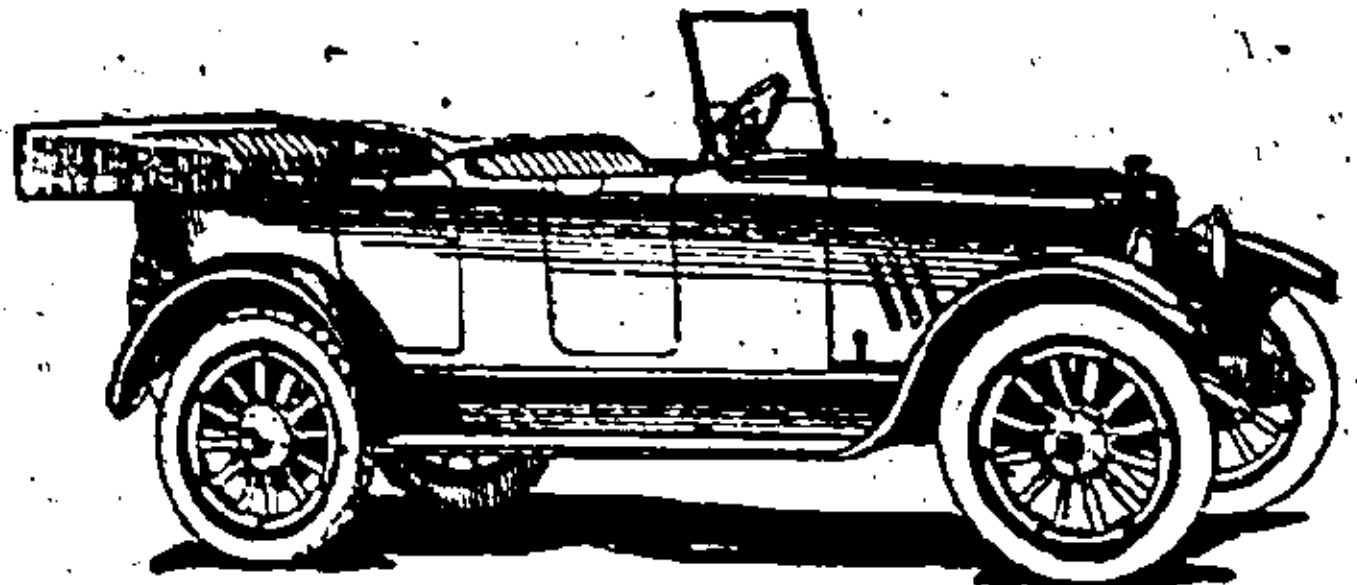
And then I made that run to Repulse Bay. I took a passenger, and I selected the early morning when there was very little traffic. And at night I rode hundreds of miles, as I lay on my bed, and always the hills grew steeper and the roads more narrow.

I cannot say that I regret my expenditure of energy. It was quite worth while. I have been, more or less, under the car, and I do know how the wheels go round and how they gear, and I find it much greater fun at the steering wheel than lounging in a seat behind. On the other hand I cannot believe that Hongkong is a good place to learn to drive a car. But I have learnt many things in this strange Far East; things about filial piety, and Chinese official life, and "Maskee" and how to drink several cocktails. It seems curious to come out here in order to learn to drive a car. But it was quite worth while, despite my nightmare dreams. If it had been an easy task I should feel far less pleased. We only value a thing when we have to pay for it. I am now thinking also of petrol.

The master of a fishing junk reported to the police that while his vessel was sailing out of port yesterday, a Japanese steamer, the name of which he does not know, collided with his vessel knocking off its sail. The steamer continued her course into the harbour. Beyond the injured sail, the junk suffered no damage.



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HONGKONG.



## FUNERAL EXPENSES.

## SUMMARY COURT CLAIM.

In the Summary Court this morning before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood a claim was heard in which Tang Tsang Shi, alias Tsang Tung Kin, claimed from Lo Kee Kin, alias Tang Lo Shi, administratrix of the estate of Tang Pik Yu, deceased, the sum of \$1,081.65 being the balance due of money spent on funeral expenses and doctor's fees. The sum of \$81.65 was waived to bring the action within Summary Jurisdiction. There was a counter-claim for \$200.

Mr. C. F. Mason appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. A. d'Arculli for the defendant.

Mr. Mason in opening the case said it was a squabble between two old women. The plaintiff was the concubine of Tang Pik Yu and the defendant was his wife and lived with him in the country. The whole claim arose out of the payment of funeral expenses.

His Lordship: When did he die?

Mr. Mason: I cannot give you the exact date but it is admitted that he is dead.

Mr. Arculli: He died in November last year.

Mr. Mason proceeded to say that the defendant did not come to the funeral but applied for letters of administration which were granted in June of this year, and plaintiff now claimed from her the funeral expenses. It was not necessary for him to prove the claim because it was admitted by the counter-claim.

Mr. Arculli said his contention was that the defendant had paid more than the sum and was claiming for the balance.

His Lordship enquired whether the present claim represented all the plaintiff claimed from the defendant. If she got this claim would defendant owe any more.

Mr. Mason: She owes us a lot for maintenance. I am going to issue a summons applying for the Court to administer the estate.

Mr. Mason proceeded to argue that as the counter-claim admitted the claim the onus of proof was on defendant.

His Lordship: You say the counter-claim amounts to an admission?

Mr. Mason: Yes.

His Lordship: Then by consent I give judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

Mr. Arculli: No.

His Lordship: You have admitted this claim for \$1,081.65 and I give judgment for that.

Mr. Arculli: I have another defence that the money was spent as an act of bounty.

His Lordship: Then you do not admit the claim. You say the money was spent but you do not admit liability.

Mr. Mason: They have already admitted it by the counter-claim.

His Lordship: Your counter-claim Mr. Arculli, is that you admit the claim but that you have a set off.

Mr. Arculli: If I cannot prove that the money was paid I can raise the other defence. My case is that the administratrix was not in Hongkong and gave no order for the funeral expenses and has not confirmed it.

His Lordship: It seems that there is only one reading of the counter-claim, namely this, that you have already paid more than the money and the balance in your favour is \$372.35. You say you paid the money by mistake.

Mr. Arculli: No, it was paid without authority.

His Lordship: Then you haven't paid it.

Mr. Arculli: It was paid out of the estate but not by the administratrix.

Replying to further remarks by His Lordship, Mr. Arculli said the money was paid through a third party.

His Lordship: Has she paid or has her agent paid without authority?

Mr. Arculli: The position is this. The defendant was in the country at the time of the funeral and her son was here with the plaintiff. The plaintiff had the possession of certain deposit notes belonging to the deceased and got the son to cash them. Out of that she paid the funeral expenses. She has never given the administratrix an account. There has been no communication between them.

His Lordship: The position is this. You either stand on your present counter-claim which is really an admission of the claim, in which case you will have to consent to judgment.

Mr. Mason: The best course would be for your Lordship to give judgment for the claim and non-suit Mr.

## R. G. A. MAN IN TROUBLE.

## MAGISTRATE'S SENTENCE.

## ONE MONTH'S IMPRISONMENT.

Gunner Pearson, R.G.A., who was some time ago convicted by Magistrate Dyer Ball on charges of (1) converting to his own use a gold finger ring entrusted to him by a Chinese woman, and (2) failing to pay for the hire of motor boat "Australia," and twice remanded for sentence on account of illness, was again before the Magistrate this morning.

Inspector Grant reported that the defendant was now well, although still a little weak.

The Magistrate said that on the first count, he thought imprisonment would do the defendant good, and sentenced him to one month's imprisonment with hard labour. On the second charge, the defendant was fined \$10, or 14 days' sentences, in the event of the fine not being paid, to run concurrently.

## FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

## A.D.C. PRODUCTIONS.

## BIG DEMAND FOR ADVANCE TICKETS.

The demand for advance tickets for the A.D.C.'s forthcoming Dunsany productions in aid of the Famine Fund continues to be so great that those who are in possession of any unsold vouchers are earnestly requested to return them without delay to Mr. C. Blaker, who is in charge of their distribution and can dispose of them immediately.

Sellers of advance tickets are reminded to send in the proceeds of their sales in any case not later than Monday 18th inst.

Advance booking opens at Montreux on the morning of Wednesday, 20th inst.

## ROUND THE ISLAND.

## POLICE ANNOUNCEMENT.

## ROAD TO BE RE-OPENED SATURDAY.

The China Mail has been informed by the Traffic Department of the Central Police Station that the road round the island will be re-opened for traffic on Saturday.

## Arculli on the counter-claim.

If Mr. Arculli has found that his counter-claim is improper in form I should have judgment and he should be non-suited without prejudice to his right to bring a fresh action, provided it is brought within reasonable time. I must submit that the counter-claim is an admission of my claim.

His Lordship: It is not quite that. When was the money paid?

Mr. Arculli: Before the issue of the writ.

Mr. Mason: We say it wasn't. They admitted that we have paid this money for expenses, now they deny it. Mr. Arculli has admitted it in the counter-claim and I am here to listen to him. The real dispute is this. I say I have paid \$10 for funeral expenses and I say you have only paid me \$5 but you say you paid me \$12 and counter-claim for \$2.

His Lordship: I will hear you.

Mr. Mason: But the claim is admitted.

His Lordship: What is admitted is that the money claimed was at one time due and it has been paid and it was paid prior to the issue of the writ.

Mr. Mason: I am not prepared to go on on that, it puts me to the proof of all the expenses and they were admitted.

Later Mr. Arculli intimated that he would withdraw the counter-claim and proceed with the defence that the payment was an act of bounty and the plaintiff should have received no payment at all.

His Lordship: You withdraw?

Mr. Arculli: Yes, my instructions were that we paid the money. It is a family dispute and there are no receipts so I can only prove it by witness.

His Lordship: Then I give judgment for plaintiff on the counter-claim with costs.

Mr. Mason then asked for an adjournment which His Lordship granted.

## CAME FOR HIS PAY.

## AND WAS ARRESTED.

## DOCKYARD THIEF SENTENCED.

A Chinese, who was this morning charged before Magistrate Orme with the theft from the Taikeo Dockyard, of 35lbs. of metal alloy, pleaded "not guilty."

The police said that on October 3, the defendant and a gang of coolies were allowed out of the gates of the yard to work on a new building which was in the course of construction. In a kerosene tin which the defendant was carrying, the Indian watchman found the alloy which the defendant alleged was to be used in connection with the work on hand. Witnesses would be called, however, to prove that this statement was untrue. The watchman took the defendant to see Mr. Bell, who by a misunderstanding took possession of the alloy and allowed the defendant to go. The defendant did not return to the yard again until yesterday, which was pay day. He was then placed under arrest and charged.

After hearing the evidence the Magistrate sentenced the defendant to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

## DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Titan," Capt. Yarwood, sailed for Liverpool via Manila and Straits at 6 a.m. to-day with 1,000 tons, of general cargo.

The s.s. "Sunkiang," Capt. Puckett, sailed for Shanghai at noon to-day with 600 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Lake Farrar," Captain Lundin, sails for Batavia via Saigon at 6 p.m., to-day with 200 tons of general cargo.

## CLEARANCES.

The s.s. "Kanyingfat," Chinese, cleared to-day and will sail for Pak-hoi and Hoibow at 6 a.m., to-morrow.

## PASSENGERS.

## DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. "Stentor," to-day for London: Messrs Bilb. N. Bower, G. P. Brown, T. Cash, C. W. Donohoe, Mr. and Mrs. Klappinger, Mr. McKoskin, C. P. O. W. Staniford, Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Wierro and Mr. Ting Hain Chen.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## WISEMAN, LTD.

## TEA DANCES

OR

TUESDAY, October 19th,

and

THURSDAY, October 21st.

## DINNER DANCE

on

SATURDAY, October 23rd.

Ticket for Tea Dance \$1.00

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The above charges do not include meals and refreshments.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

From AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM,

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THE Steamship

"KANGAEAN,"

having arrived from the above Ports

Consignees of Cargo by her are notified

that all goods are being landed at their

risk into the hazardous and/or extra

hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

& Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.,

whence and/or from the wharves deliv-

ery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 21st Octo-

ber, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged

packages are to be left in the Godowns,

where they will be examined on the

20th October, at 10 A.M. by Messrs

Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be

presented in writing within ten days

after arrival of steamer, otherwise they

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

General Agents.

Hongkong, October 14, 1920.

## TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COLONEL L. G. BIRD, D.S.O.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.

Thursday, 14th October, 1920.

## 1. Parades.

The Infantry Battalion less Reserve Platoon and Machine Gunners will parade at Headquarters on Monday, 1st November, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress. Drill Order.

Attendance Strong as possible.

1. Mounted Section will parade with Light Infantry Platoon.

2. A Class of Instruction for Signallers and Lewis Gunners will be held at Headquarters on Tuesday, 19th instant, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress.

Plain Clothes, but Signallers parade with Rifle and Side-Arms.

## 3. Camp.

Camp for Infantry Battalion will be held for this Season on the last week end in November and 1st and 2nd week end in December. Minimum attendance for members Three Days.

4. The following extract from ARMY COUNCIL INSTRUCTION No. 558 1920, is published for information—

Territorial Force Instruction No. XXX.

Definition of Trained men.

The following men will be regarded as trained men—

(a) Men who have served for not less than six months during the war of 1914-1918, and who re-enlist into the same arm or branch of the Territorial Force on or before 31st December, 1920.

(b) Men who have served for not less than six months during the war of 1914-1918, and who re-enlist, within 18 months of their discharge from any of His Majesty's Forces in the same arm or branch of the Territorial Force.

(c) Men who have served for not less than six months during the war of 1914-1918, and who re-enlist (on or before 31st December, 1920) or within 18 months of their discharge from any of His Majesty's Forces) into an arm or branch of the Territorial Force other than that in which they served during the war, as soon as their G.O. certifies that they are efficient in all respects.

G. F. E. RAPSON, Bt-Major,

Adjutant, H.V.D. Corps.

## HONGKONG LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE.

CLOSING CONTEST & PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

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at Kowloon,

on SATURDAY, 16th inst.

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All Bowlers invited.

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Hon. Secretary.

K. B. G. C.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONSIGNEES),

## TUESDAY,

October 19, 1920, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

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Chenardfield Sofa, Arm-chairs (new), Folding Card and Occasional Tables, One Upholstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture, comprising Teakwood

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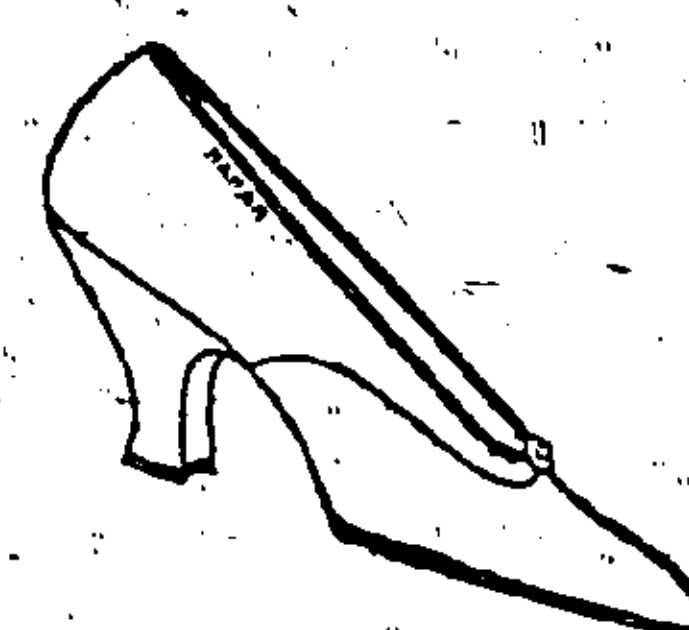
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Hongkong, October 14, 1920.

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Inspector Grant said that the defendant and another man, representing themselves to be tramway conductors, offered to find employment for a lad whom they brought from Yau-mai to Hongkong where they went to Queen's Buildings, leaving the lad outside while they entered room No. 4 for the alleged purpose of interviewing the manager of the Tramway Co. Having informed the lad that a position had been secured and that \$50 was required as security before starting work, the men returned with him and his father the following day, and having obtained the money, disappeared into the same room while the two victims waited outside in the corridor. When the men did not return after a considerable lapse of time the lad proceeded to the ground floor and was just in time to see the defendant leaving the building. The defendant was arrested but the other man escaped.

Evidence was then heard.

After hearing the defendant's denial the Magistrate sentenced him to three months' hard labour.

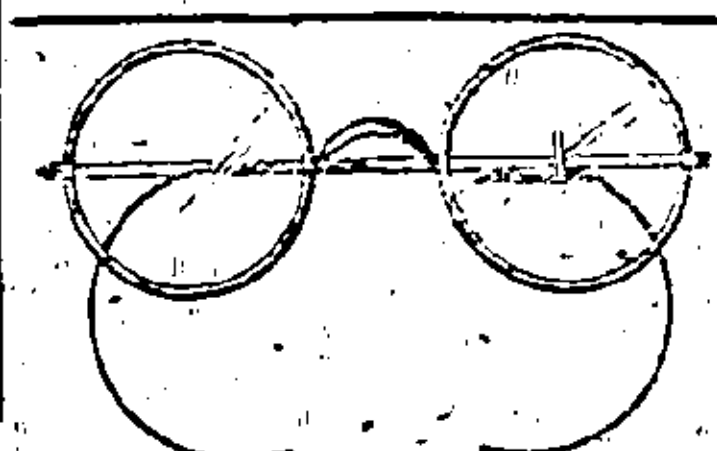
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## SPORTS.

## FOOTBALL.

## TODAY'S PRACTICE MATCH.

## A KEEN GAME ANTICIPATED.

A practice football match has been arranged to take place on the Club ground, Happy Valley, this evening, between the United F.C., and the second string of the Kowloon F.C. A very good game is anticipated between these two combinations composed of keen young enthusiasts. Both teams have entered the Second Division of the League this season. The United F.C. will be represented by the following:—A. Young, Gerrard, U. Urquhart, J. Leonard, A. E. Simmons, C. Logan, C. H. Blake, P. Brown, G. T. May, E. C. Fisher and G. Miller. Reserve: G. Chubb.

## AMEROSSE FOOTBALL CUP.

## STOKERS BEAT SEAMEN IN SEMI-FINAL.

Much interest was centered in the replay of the semi-final for the "Ambrose" Football Cup between the Stokers and the Seamen, which took place on the Dockyard football ground on Tuesday evening. There was a large gathering of the men of the various ships present to watch the match. At a previous meeting, these two teams played a goalless draw after a very hard tussle.

On Tuesday, both sides played with a keen determination, that resulted in a very fine and exciting match. The competition was keen between the teams, the Stokers anxious to retain the championship which they won last year, and the Seamen equally determined to wrest the honour from them, and the match was much enjoyed by all present.

Owing to the rain, the ground was wet and slippery, but the players made the best of the conditions, and exhibited some excellent football.

The game opened very fast with the Seamen pressing, and the Stokers' goalie was severely tested by Monkhouse and Webb, but survived the attack in convincing style. When the Seamen were given a free kick against Hannaford for a foul, a goal was almost certain from the spectators' point of view, but full advantage was not taken of the chance, and the ball was easily cleared.

The Stokers then started on the offensive, and very soon were in enemy territory, where Downs sent in a low shot from 20 yards range, which gave the seamen's goalie no chance. In spite of strenuous efforts to equalize, the Seamen were successfully kept out of shooting range by the strong defence of the Stokers. When the latter next attacked, the Seamen were forced to concede a corner. This was beautifully taken by Edgecombe, who placed it right in front of Bath, who, from his favourable position, had no difficulty in converting. With two goals against them, the Seamen played strenuously and were often in enemy territory, but without success. A little before half time, Downs, of the Stokers, had the misfortune to handle the ball within the penalty area. Webb took the kick and netted, but not however, until after the goalie had caught the greasy ball but failed to retain it.

The second half was just as fast and interesting as the previous moiety. The Seamen reneged their efforts, and played strenuously for the equalizer, but the Stokers' half back line was equal to the situation and defended effectively. Bath very nearly added a third goal for the Stokers when away from the "sticks" but miskicked. Just before the final whistle, the Seamen made a final effort, and Monkhouse very nearly saved the match with a swift shot which all but entered the net. The ball struck the cross bar and went over. The match ended in a win for the Stokers, after a very hard struggle, by two goals to one.

The Stokers and the L7 team, last year's finalists, will again appear in the final, when an interesting match is anticipated.

## A TEN SIDE MATCH.

## KOWLOON P.C. V. SUBMARINES.

Owing to the Police being unable to turn out a team on Tuesday to meet the Kowloon F.C., the latter played a team picked on the field from the men of the Submarines L1, 2, 4, 7 and 9. Kowloon fielded only nine men, and were reinforced by Bowden of the L7 in a ten side match. An interesting match resulted in a win for the Kowloonites who scored three goals. Bowden was responsible for two and Evening for the other.

Crocker was safe in the Kowloon goal, and did not let anything pass him.

## RUGBY.

## HONGKONG CLUB TEAM.

The following team will represent the Hongkong Club at Happy Valley on Friday evening at 5.15 p.m. in the game against H.M.S. "Ambrose"—I. G. Gordon, G. A. V. Hall, J. W. Alabaster, A. M. D. Wallace, N. R. Dick, V. G. Smythe, and G. E. Roberts. T. Lamplugh, N. Harper, J. S. McCann, C. J. Cooper, W. J. Hope, W. R. Andrews, M. H. Baxter and J. Ralston. Colours:—Blue and white.

The Hongkong Club team on paper looks just as fully as strong, as any team turned out last year. It is a pity that H.C.G.B. Way cannot turn out in the full back position, but Gordon comes with a reputation. Simpson, who used to play outside three-quarters last season and made a very good show is standing down in favour of Hall, Dick and Robert are new men and showed up well in the practice last week. They are almost certain to be sure of a place throughout the season. Among the forwards Timson will be badly missed because he was one of the Club's hardest working and most experienced players. Several new forwards will be on show, including W. R. Andrews and M. H. Baxter.

On the whole the team looks well balanced and should acquit itself well against the "Ambrose" team which is yet unknown, not having played a game. Consequently, followers of the sport should be afforded a good game. The referee will be Mr. E. W. Hamilton, who used to play fairly regularly before the war.

## CRICKET.

## I.R.C. V. STAFFS &amp; DEPT.

## I.R.C. TEAM.

In the above match the following will represent the I.R.C. on Saturday the 16th. inst. at 2.15 p.m. at Sookmoo Valley.

A. H. Rumpah (Capt.), S. H. Ismail, A. A. Rumpah, S. D. Ismail, G. C. Earle, D. R. Weerapala, K. Khan, S. A. Ismail, D. Rumpah, and A. N. Other.

## INTERPORT TRIAL.

## NEXT SATURDAY'S MATCH.

The following teams have been selected for a trial match to be played on the Hongkong Club Ground on Saturday, October 16, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

R. Hancock's Team.—R. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer, Lt. Frank R. N., Capt. Davies, R. E. O. Bird, Major Edwards, Major Bagnall, R. L. D. Woodhouse, E. B. Reed and W. C. Turner.

A. E. Wood's Team.—A. E. Wood, Capt. Oliver, Capt. Gray, J. P. Braga, Capt. Spinks, Major Middlemass, R. W. Mitchell, F. J. de Rome, C. Baker, J. R. Farthing, Lt. Hammond, J. Stalker, Lt. Bevan, W. D. Wilson and E. G. Kennett.

## RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

## THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION.

A meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association was held in Victoria Buildings at 5.30 p.m., yesterday, to discuss this year's competition. Mr. M. S. Northcote presided, and the following units were represented:—Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, Naval Yard, Hongkong Police, the White Horse Regiment, the Royal Navy and the Tai Koo Rifle Club.

After considerable discussion, it was decided that the condition of this year's competition be King's first stage. Targets, 1920 Bisley. No sighting will be allowed. Every competitor is to fire 10 rounds. The rifle to be used in the competition will be any .303 piece. No aperture or sling are allowed, and wind gauges are to be central.

It was decided to leave the League open for entries until October 25. Each team is to be composed of eight men.

A sub-committee composed of Lieut. Samut, M.C. (Wils.), Sub-Inspector McNab Wilson, M.C. (Police) and Mr. Lyons (H.K.V.D.C.) was appointed to make further arrangements.

The police team entered under the title of Hongkong Police Rifle Club.

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## THE "YUENSANG"

## ACCIDENT DURING TYPHOON.

The Board of Marine Accidents at the Manila Bureau of Customs has submitted its report regarding the investigation into the damage sustained by the s.s. "Yuensang," which was berthed alongside of the bulkhead at Pier 3, through the collision with the steamship "Montrose," which, while berthed alongside of Pier 5, was cast adrift during the typhoon on the night of August 31.

The final decision arrived at reads as follows:

"The Board of Marine Accidents concludes that in view of the suddenness and the abnormal character of the typhoon which passed through this locality on August 31, 1920, all damages that were done through the action of the said typhoon by the s.s. "Montrose" to the s.s. "Yuensang," or vice versa, or by both vessels to the Insular Government piers and bulkheads, were entirely unavoidable and the said Board therefore exonerates the s.s. "Montrose," her master, officers and crew, and the s.s. "Yuensang," her master, officers and crew, of any and all damages that both vessels may have caused each other or to the Insular Government piers and bulkheads, the Board being convinced that said damages were caused by *force majeure*."

It was learned that on the night of the accident the captain of the "Montrose" was ill in St. Paul's hospital. His chief officer was not instructed as to harbour available and therefore did not have steam up. He was unaware of any regulation prohibiting vessels to lie at anchor without steam, as it was his first time in the port.

To this the Board answered in their findings:

"However, the Board is fully convinced that he had accomplished all that could humanly be done to secure his vessel alongside the pier, having used to this end all available mooring lines he had on board. Despite this all the lines broke."

## REPULSE BAY.

## ATTRACTION AT THE HOTEL.

Wednesdays and Saturdays are always gala nights at the Repulse Bay Hotel and the management is always on the look out for special attractions whereby these nights can be made even more attractive. They have succeeded splendidly by the engagement of Mme. Belikovich a classical dancer of Warsaw Opera House, and Mr. Paul Grey, a Russian baritone, who will again appear at the Hotel on Saturday. Last night the two artists had a fine reception. Mr. Grey has a fine flexible voice with superb control. After his first song he had to give no less than three encores, all of which were delightful. Mme. Belikovich's dances were all excellent and met with ready appreciation. On Sunday afternoon there should be a big crowd at Repulse Bay as Mr. Grey is then giving a semi-sacred concert.

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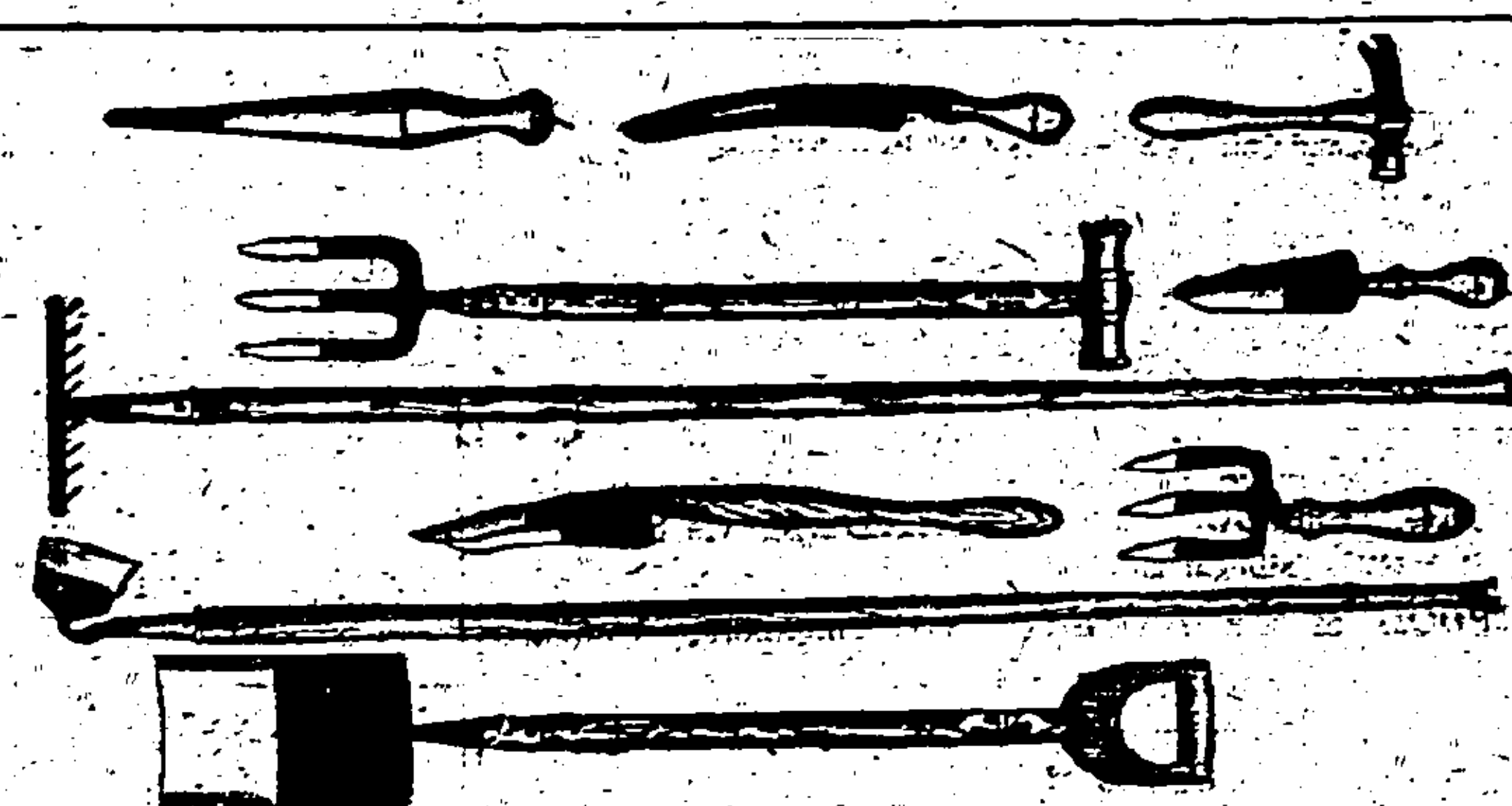
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## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

## COMPREHENSIVE AGENDA FOR COUNCIL MEETING.

## PERMANENT MANDATES.

LONDON, October 13.

A meeting of the Council of the League of Nations at Brussels on October 20 has before it a most comprehensive agenda, including the constitution of permanent mandates. A commission is expected. All States entrusted with mandates will be represented on the Commission in addition to other States which will be included in order to place the mandatory Powers in the minority. A report will be prepared suggesting methods of appointment for submission, to the General Assembly of the League.

## GERMAN SOCIALISTS.

## ADHERENCE TO THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL.

## MOSCOW'S CONDITIONS CONSIDERED.

BERLIN, October 11.

Over 500 delegates attended the Independent Socialist Congress opened at Halle to-day to decide the acceptance or rejection of Moscow's conditions for adherence to the Third International. Herren, Dittmann and Brass, representing the opponents and adherents, respectively, were elected Presidents. Herr Crispian, chairman of the Party, declared that the main issue was whether the party should retain its present character or be absorbed in the Communists. Decision has been temporarily reserved.

## STRIKE THREAT.

## MINERS STRONGLY AGAINST DATUM LINE PROPOSALS.

## THE NEXT MOVE.

LONDON, October 13.

Although the full results of the miners' ballot will not be known till to-morrow, sufficient figures are to hand to show that the majority of miners throughout the country have disregarded Mr. Smillie's advice to give the mine-owners' offer a trial and have plumped heavily against the datum line proposals. The majorities range from 10 to 1 in parts of South Wales and 2 to 1 in Northumberland.

The next move lies with the executive of the Miners' Federation which is meeting in London to-morrow, when the moderates will put up a big fight in favour of peace by renewed negotiations and urge that the wages claim should be submitted to an impartial tribunal. It is believed that this suggestion will be carried through, which will mean that another ballot by the men will probably be taken and the strike is certain to be postponed if not abandoned.

## CIVIL AVIATION.

## WHAT THE COLONIES MUST DO.

## IMPERIAL SYSTEM.

LONDON, October 12.

A three-days' conference, promoted by the Air Ministry, was opened at the Guildhall for the purpose of reviewing the progress of civil aviation. Major-General Sykes opened the discussions, declaring that the watchwords of aerial navigation must be "safety and reliability." He expressed the opinion that mails formed the basis of civil aviation from which the constructional and transport aspects would develop. He considered that the crisis of linking up the Empire did not rest with Britain alone, but each Dominion and Colony must form its own nucleus of air development and thus gradually build up a complete system. With regard to the key routes of the imperial system as from England to Egypt and Egypt to India he advocated the trial of a commercial day and night service on the former route.

Mr. Churchill, presiding at the luncheon, said the Government intended to help civil aviation by every means in their power, but in the main civil aviation must fly by itself and the function of the Government was to facilitate and stimulate its action. He declared his conviction that the future of British aviation would be great and bright.

## COST OF LIVING.

## VIGOROUS MEASURES TAKEN IN FRANCE.

## PROSECUTING SPECULATORS.

LONDON, October 12.

A Havas message states that the Cabinet, under the presidency of M. Millerand, adopted several measures tending to bring about a general reduction in the cost of living by regulating the sale and slaughtering of cattle, prosecuting speculators, fostering the consumption of chilled meat and fish, and prohibiting the exportation of such produce as butter and cheese. In every province a consumers' board is to be instituted to pass measures especially suitable to the district. The tax of two francs per hectolitre on refined petroleum has been repealed.

## GRATEFUL BELGIUM.

## MEMORIAL TO BRITISH NATION UNVEILED.

## CEREMONY IN LONDON.

LONDON, October 13.

In beautiful Autumn weather the memorial erected on the Thames Embankment to "The British Nation from the Grateful People of Belgium" was unveiled by Princess Clementine of Belgium in the presence of a distinguished British and Belgian concourse. Lord Curzon represented the British Government, while a notable Belgian delegation was headed by the Premier, M. Delacroix, who made a speech warmly eulogising British assistance to Belgian refugees. It is noteworthy that to-day was the fifth anniversary of the murder of Edith Cavell.

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For	Per	Time
Holbow and Pakhoi	Kam Yung Fat	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haibong	Noon
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Shanghai and North China	Kaiguan	2 p.m.
Philippine Islands	Loonggan	2 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay and ADEN. Registration 4.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Burma Maru	4 p.m.
Saigon	Phocomph	4 p.m.
Samtut and Wuchow	Kochow	4 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Holbow and Haiphong	Hanoi	5 p.m.
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Shanghai, North China and Japan via Moji	Novara	11 a.m.
Shanghai and North China	Yingchow	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung	Amatsuma Maru	9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, L. Marques, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Mishima Maru	
Swatow and Bangkok	Kapchoo	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai conx	Noon
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Amoy, "Shanghai" and "North China"	Szechuen	3 p.m.
Philippine Islands	Taming	11 a.m.
"Shanghai" and "North China"	Tungahing	5 p.m.
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Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Kobe	Kamo Maru	10 a.m.
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\* Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## YACHTING.

## ROYAL HONGKONG CLUB.

## ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club to be presented at the annual general meeting this evening states—

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE.

The Bar Profit for the year is \$407.29, an increase of \$149.49 over the previous year.

Subscriptions from Rowing and Sailing Members are up \$526.00; while subscriptions from Bathing Members are increased by \$300.00.

Entrance Fees for Sailing Events totalled \$480.00, against which, of course, the sum of \$473.00 has been expended on Championship Prizes.

Subscriptions amounting to \$782.00 were collected to meet the cost of Regatta, and only just failed to do so by \$194.20.

Interest on Bank Fixed Deposit and Current Account is \$70.05.

The total amount of income is \$5,597.35, an increase of \$1,845.31.

Expenditure in connection with all Sections of the Club has in consequence increased, added to which there has been additional expenditure on repairs to the several amounting to \$242.78, while the Boats and Oars have been depreciated \$250.00, making a total expenditure of \$5,287.24. The Net Profit on the year's working \$310.11, which is carried to Reserve Account must, therefore, be considered very satisfactory.

The Club's Assets as shown by the Balance Sheet have been increased by \$2,509.82, principally accounted for by the Electric Installation, 5 New Boats, and Sundry Gymnasium Gear donated by our worthy and generous Commodore, Mr. Frank Smyth.

The usual number of Debentures have been redeemed and the amount now due to Debenture Holders including unclaimed Dividends is \$15,885.40.

Entrance Fees have been unusually large, the sum derived from this source \$876.00 which, together with the cost of additional assets defrayed by Commodore Smyth \$1,529.05, and the Net Profit for the year \$310.11, brings the Reserve Account up to \$4,220.13. There is now on Fixed Deposit the sum of \$1,900.00 and at Current Account \$1,281.36.

REPORT OF THE BATHING COMMITTEE.

The General Committee decided to again open the Club to approved bathing members and a very successful season ensued.

The usual bathing and dressing facilities were provided, and the arrangements, especially the electric fans, were much appreciated by the 84 persons who joined.

A pleasing feature of the season has been the number of children who, with their parents, have made use of the Beach.

It is satisfactory to note that the sand beach is improving every year as a result of the attention paid to it.

REPORT OF THE ROWING COMMITTEE.

The Rowing last season was very successful from every point of view. A number of new members entered wholeheartedly into the Sport, and a very successful Regatta was held at the Club House on Saturday, the 28th February.

This was the first Regatta held since 1914, and it was very gratifying to have so many entries.

The Canton Rowing Club entered 3 Crews and were successful in winning 3 of the principal events, i.e., the Interport Fours (Cater Cup), the Double Sculls, and the Single Sculls. The only important event won by the Royals was the Pair Oar Race, which was won easily by Messrs. V. G. Smyth and J. S. McCann. A handsome Challenge Cup was presented for this race by Messrs. A. Murdoch and H. W. B. Kennett.

Four Crews entered for the Scratch Fours, of which two were composed of Naval Officers and Midshipmen. This proved to be a very exciting race, all crews finishing within half length of each other.

The winning crew was composed of 2 Canton and 2 Hongkong men. Hongkong Stock Exchange presented a very handsome Challenge Cup and miniatures for this race.

The Navy entered 12 ships crews for the All Comers Race, which was keenly contested and won by H.M.S. "Hawkins."

This race created a great deal of excitement amongst the Naval people and many launches and pinaces followed the race.

By kind permission of H. E. The Admiral C. in C. and Officers of the Fleet, the Band of H.M.S. "Hawkins" played selections on the Club Lawn during the afternoon. The thanks of the Commodore, Committee and Members are due to the Officers of H.M. China Squadron for their wholehearted support in helping to make the Regatta a very great success.

A Club Dinner, under the Chairmanship of Commodore F. Smyth, was held at the Hongkong Hotel after the Regatta in honour of our Visitors from Canton, and as a farewell to the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, L.L.D., C.M.G., who was then about to leave for home. This was largely attended by the Rowing and Yachting Members of the Club, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. A Musical Programme followed the dinner to which Dr. Severn, Messrs. Eager, Heavan, Rother, Logan and McCann contributed.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

**THE CORONET**

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at 7.15 p.m.

## "THE SECRET OF THE SUBMARINE"

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